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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to osteoporosis; amending ss.
3 627.6409, 627.6691, 641.31, F.S.; expanding the
4 required health insurance coverage for
5 osteoporosis-related matters; providing an
6 effective date.

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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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10 Section 1. Section 627.6409, Florida Statutes, is
11 amended to read:

12 627.6409 Coverage for osteoporosis screening,
13 diagnosis, treatment, and management.--Any health insurance
14 policy that covers a resident of this state and that is
15 issued, amended, delivered, or renewed in this state after
16 October 1, 1996, must provide coverage for the medically
17 necessary diagnosis and treatment of osteoporosis for
18 high-risk individuals, including, but not limited to,
19 estrogen-deficient individuals who are at clinical risk for
20 osteoporosis, individuals who have vertebral abnormalities,
21 individuals who are receiving long-term glucocorticoid
22 (steroid) therapy, individuals who have primary
23 hyperparathyroidism, and individuals who have a family history
24 of osteoporosis. Such coverage must include bone-mass-density
25 tests considered medically necessary for diagnosis or
26 treatment of osteoporosis for high-risk individuals.This
27 section does not apply to specified-accident,
28 specified-disease, hospital-indemnity, Medicare supplement, or
29 long-term-care health insurance policies or to the state
30 employee health insurance program.

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1 Section 2. Section 627.6691, Florida Statutes, is
2 amended to read:

3 627.6691 Coverage for osteoporosis screening,
4 diagnosis, treatment, and management.--Any group, blanket, or
5 franchise health insurance policy that covers a resident of
6 this state and that is issued, amended, delivered, or renewed
7 in this state after October 1, 1996, must provide coverage for
8 the medically necessary diagnosis and treatment of
9 osteoporosis for high-risk individuals, including, but not
10 limited to, estrogen-deficient individuals who are at clinical
11 risk for osteoporosis, individuals who have vertebral
12 abnormalities, individuals who are receiving long-term
13 glucocorticoid (steroid) therapy, individuals who have primary
14 hyperparathyroidism, and individuals who have a family history
15 of osteoporosis. Such coverage must include bone-mass-density
16 tests considered medically necessary for diagnosis or
17 treatment of osteoporosis for high-risk individuals.This
18 section does not apply to specified-accident,
19 specified-disease, hospital-indemnity, Medicare supplement, or
20 long-term-care health insurance policies or to the state
21 employee health insurance program.

22 Section 3. Subsection (27) of section 641.31, Florida
23 Statutes, is amended to read:

24 641.31 Health maintenance contracts.--

25 (27) Any health maintenance contract that covers a
26 resident of this state and that is issued, amended, delivered,
27 or renewed in this state after October 1, 1996, must provide
28 coverage for the medically necessary diagnosis and treatment
29 of osteoporosis for high-risk individuals, including, but not
30 limited to, estrogen-deficient individuals who are at clinical
31 risk for osteoporosis, individuals who have vertebral

1 abnormalities, individuals who are receiving long-term
2 glucocorticoid (steroid) therapy, individuals who have primary
3 hyperparathyroidism, and individuals who have a family history
4 of osteoporosis. Such coverage must include bone-mass-density
5 tests considered medically necessary for diagnosis or
6 treatment of osteoporosis for high-risk individuals.This
7 subsection does ~~shall~~ not apply to the state employee health
8 insurance program.

9 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

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11 SENATE SUMMARY

12 Expands required health insurance coverage for
13 osteoporosis-related matters to include coverage for
14 bone-mass-density tests for high-risk individuals.